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In re: Ronald D. Hoover Serial No. 09/862,939

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For: GROUP III NITRIDE LIGHT EMITTING DEVICES ??

WITH PROGRESSIVELY GRADED LAYERS

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Group Art Unit: 36

Examiner: Kurt Rowan

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This responds to the Office Action mailed November 7, 2003, in which the Examiner requires the Applicant to elect one of three patentably distinct species for prosecution of the merits. Accordingly, the Applicant hereby provisionally elects to prosecute those claims that are directed to embodiments for a fishing lure container with a catch in a vertical member, as shown in Figures 1–5 of the pending application.

Applicants assert that pending Claims 1-3, 5-9, and 14-19 should be examined in accordance with the provisionally elected species, as described by the Examiner. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner, when examining the provisionally elected species, also consider those claims that are not explicitly described by any of the other patentably distinct species. Applicants expressly reserve the right to file divisional applications or take other measures necessary to protect the inventions described in the other patentably distinct species.

Respectfully submitted,

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